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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, OCTOBER 2, 2001

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, ex rel.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION.

v.

CASE NO. PUE000388

COLUMBIA GAS OF VIRGINIA, INC.

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES ON RECONSIDERATION

On September 20, 2001, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc. ("Columbia" or "the Company"), filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") a petition for reconsideration of the Commission's Final Order of September 5, 2001.

Pursuant to Rule 5 VAC 5-20-220 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission determined that Columbia's Petition for Reconsideration should be granted in order to allow the Commission to retain jurisdiction over this matter while the issues raised by the Company are reviewed. We found that such action was appropriate in this instance for the Commission to have sufficient time to consider both the substance of the petition and further procedural matters. Accordingly, an Order granting the Company's petition was entered on September 26, 2001.

In order to fully consider the merits of the Company's petition for reconsideration, we believe it would be helpful to

obtain the Commission Staff's perspective on the issues raised in the Company's petition. Moreover, we believe the Company should be afforded a reasonable opportunity to respond to any argument raised by the Staff.

Accordingly, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- (1) On or before October 26, 2001, the Commission Staff shall file a response to the Company's petition for reconsideration, addressing the issues raised and developed therein.
- (2) The Company shall file any rebuttal it deems appropriate in response to the Commission Staff's filing not later than November 9, 2001.
- (3) Pending the Commission's reconsideration of this matter as provided herein, the Commission's Final Order of September 5, 2001, in this matter shall continue to be suspended, and this matter is continued until further order of the Commission.